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TO: IMMEDIATE WHITE HOUSE//SITUATION ROOM FOR MR MCMAHIS.

GARNING NOTICE SENSITIVE INTELLIGENCE SOURCES AND METHODS INVOLVED

ITEM NO: WH-2

DATE: 18 APRIL 1974

SUBJECT: SOVIETS AGAIN REQUEST NAVAL PRIVILEGES FROM INDIA

REF: OSR MORNING BRIEFING, 18 APR 74, SECRET NFD/CD

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THE SOVIET UNION HAS RECENTLY ASKED INDIA FOR PERMISSION TO ROTATE NAVAL AND MERCHANT MARINE CREWS ON A REGULAR BASIS FROM SOVIET VESSELS TO UNSPECIFIED INDIAN PORTS.

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THE TRANSFER OF CREWS WOULD INVOLVE A STAY OF A DAY OR SO IN PORT AND AIR TRANSPORT TO AND FROM THE USSR.

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NO DECISION REPORTEDLY HAS YET BEEN MADE ON THE REQUEST. THE SOVIETS HAVE ATTEMPTED TO GAIN SPECIAL NAVAL PRIVILEGES FROM THE INDIANS SEVERAL TIMES IN THE PAST, BUT THE INDIANS HAVE REFUSED. INDIA DOES NOT WANT TO FURTHER "GREAT POWER" PRESENCE IN THE INDIAN OCEAN AND WILL PROBABLY REJECT THIS LATEST SOVIET REQUEST.

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